

U.S. Girls' Junior

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Colorado Springs, Colo., USA
Eisenhower Golf Club, Blue Course

Sara Im



Q. Could you walk me through your round today?

SARA IM: I think my ball striking was a little iffy today, but I was able to get up and down a lot, make some putts. I think the round was really solid, enough to make the cut, so that's all you really need for the first two days is just to make the cut. Then it's anyone's game.

Q. How did you think the hole locations today compared to yesterday?

SARA IM: I would say they were pretty similar. Some of them are really, really hard, while others are gettable. So yeah, I would say they were pretty similar but I would guess that over the course of the week they're going to get harder.

Q. In terms of the conditions, how did the course feel today compared to yesterday and to the practice rounds?

SARA IM: I think that the greens are firmer right now than the practice rounds, and even yesterday. Maybe it's because I started off earlier, I'm not sure, but I feel like they're firmer today. And you just can't go over the greens, I've just realized you can't go past the pins at all.

Q. Have you felt like the altitude has been affecting you at all?

SARA IM: Definitely. I'm definitely more tired, I guess that's because I have less oxygen here, which makes sense because we're higher up. But I haven't had a hard time walking the course the last two days, I guess I got used to it.

Q. You're also a Four-Ball champion, you've played in a few USGA events now – how do you feel that experience has helped you?

SARA IM: I definitely think it helps just to get that match play experience, because you don't get to play match play very often in golf. It definitely helps to make those clutch putts every once in a while that give you that confidence.

Q. Do you think your strategy going into tomorrow is going to change at all?

SARA IM: I think match play is always different, mentally, because you're not going against the whole field. You're only going against one person. So, I definitely think you can be more aggressive when you're playing match play. It should be fun.

